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Application No. : 09/284,828
Title : **BUFF-FREE LIQUID
CRYSTAL ALIGNMENT
USING POLY(IONOMER)
COATINGS**
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1. Petition fee

X Small entity-fee \$ 640.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicants claim small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

___ Other than small entity - fee \$ _____ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

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X has been filed previously on September 25, 2000.

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B. The issue fee of \$ _____:

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3. Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee

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